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The President is concerned with the impact on American public opinion of a breakdown at Geneva. He feels that in the event of a breakdown or recess there should be an immediate report to the American people. He is considering the advisability of his making a television statement very promptly after receiving news of any breakdown to clearly place responsibility for

failure on the Soviets. He has asked us to consider the advisability of such a statement and after obtaining your views to prepare a draft which could be held in readiness.

We are starting preliminary work on a draft here but would appreciate receiving your views as soon as possible so we will be in a position to talk to the President definitively on

Monday at the latest. W: CDDillon: ics: imc Acting Secretary

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